6. The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the annunciators of different ones of the slave modules are adapted to perform respectively different module-specific tasks.

7. The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the master module further comprises software or firmware and a processor for executing the software or firmware, and wherein the processor is coupled to control or activate the annunciators when the slave modules are mechanically connected in a series to each other and to the master module.

8. The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the module-specific task of the annunciator of at least one of the slave modules is to emit visible light and the annunciator of at least one of the slave modules comprises a visible light emitter.

9. The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the visible light emitter comprises a semiconductor device, an incandescent lamp, or a fluorescent lamp.

10. The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the module-specific task of at least one of the annunciators comprises blinking by the visible light emitter.

11. The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the module-specific task that at least one of the annunciators is adapted to perform is to emit audible sound and the annunciator of at least one of the slave modules comprises an audible sound generator.

12. The apparatus according to claim 11, wherein the sound generator is configured to produce music.

13. The apparatus according to claim 11, wherein the sound generator is configured to produce spoken words.

14. The apparatus according to claim 11, wherein the audible sound generator comprises an electromechanical or piezoelectric sound generator.

15. The apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the appearance of each of the slave modules or the module-specific task that each of the annunciators are adapted to perform, or relate to, a common theme.

16. The apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the appearance of each of the slave modules and the module-specific task that each of the annunciators are adapted to perform, relate to a common theme.

17. The apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the slave modules color, type, or shape, is associated with the theme.

18. The apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the theme is a specific type of animal.

19. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the payload is adapted to emit visible light and the annunciator of that module comprises a visible light emitter.

20. The apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the payload is adapted to emit audible sound and the annunciator comprises an audible sound generator.

21. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in each of the slave modules the second end is opposite to the first end, and wherein in each of the slave modules the first electromechanical connector is opposite to the second electrical connector.

22. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein each of the second electromechanical connectors of each of the slave modules comprises a first common type of connector chosen from a group consisting of a male connector and a female connector, and wherein each of the first electromechanical connectors of each of the slave modules comprises a second common type of connector that is the other member of the group.

23. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein all of the electromechanical connectors are rectangular, square, or circular shaped.

24. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein each of the electromechanical connectors comprises a USB connector.

25. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the slave modules are detachably connectable to each other and to the master module using interlocking, friction fit, or shaped lugs and mating cut-outs.

26. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the slave modules are detachably connectable to each other and to the master module using protrusions in one of the modules and cavities in another of the modules adapted to receive the protrusions in a frictional engagement.

27. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the electromechanical connectors are physically structured to electrically connect the electromechanical connectors of any pair of adjacently mechanically attached modules via two contacts capable of carrying both power and digital data between the respective modules.

28. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the electromechanical connectors are physically structured to electrically connect the electromechanical connectors of any pair of adjacently mechanically attached modules via at least two contacts for carrying the power and at least two contacts for carrying bi-directional digital data.

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